



**WHAT'S THE OUTLOOK . . .** This odd-looking contraption, created by sixth graders in Ralph Holt's class at Jefferson School, Torrance, is a barometer. Here, Linda Fisher and Judy Grossman show off the project, made out of a milk bottle, old rods, wood, and a protractor. (Herald Photo)

### Cigar Boxes, Spools, Bottles Converted to Tools of Science

Take some cigar boxes, wire, milk bottles, protractors, spools, and razor blades and what do you have?

If you happen to be in Ralph Holt's sixth grade class at Jefferson Elementary School, Torrance, you may well have a radio, a telephone, a barometer, or an "expansion tester." All of these are projects in science classes carried on by the students.

Youngsters are building all out of old odds and ends. A primitive telephone has been crated out of two cigar boxes, wire, razor blades, and an old pair of earphones. Radios are made of cigar boxes and razor blades and wires, plus an antenna strung to the roof.

A barometer was made out of a milk bottle, some wood, a rod, and discarded protractor. Before their eyes, children can watch the expansion of metal when a match is put to it, and the children even have figured out a gag to test the expansion. Many of the other children also have made other projects, including a simple motor, magnet, and various other things.

"The youngsters can't wait to get through with their other work to do these projects, although they have to do a good job on everything," Holt said.

The Continental Congress passed an act on Dec. 12, 1775 to build a navy consisting of 13 frigates.

### New Skylines To Rise on Peninsula

Torrance and Palos Verdes coastal areas will boast new skylines of spectacular, deluxe apartment structures, according to Sidney M. Barton, prominent New York financier and developer who is extending his company's operations to the West Coast.

"I really believe that long-time Southern Californians have been close to this majestic setting of coastline and hills to fully recognize its destiny as one of the world's most highly rated residential communities," he said.

Barton made these observations as he signaled the start of construction on a \$4,000,000 apartment project which will rise at Indian Peak Road and Hawthorne Blvd.

The builder, whose firm of Sidney M. Barton Co. specializes in real estate developments and "lease-back" arrangements for national business concerns, is associated in

the Palos Verdes Hills project with Jerry Moss, Southern California land developer.

Moss is developer of a multi-million dollar shopping center within walking distance of the new apartment edifice, in which a \$700,000 Safeway market has already started construction.

Plans call for 250 residential units in the apartment project. Meteorological studies showing absence of fog in the area, as well as new freeway approaches, were factors given by Barton in confirming choice of the apartment site.

**New Manager Named**

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### Torrance Hospital Staff Installation Scheduled

Nearly a hundred doctors and wives were scheduled to attend the installation banquet of the medical staff of Torrance Memorial Hospital at the Palos Verdes Country Club Saturday night.

Dr. George O. Peeke of Torrance was to be installed as chief of staff for 1960. Other incoming officers are Dr. Thomas E. Bentenson of Redondo Beach, assistant chief of staff; Dr. Carlo A. Tabellario of Torrance, secretary-treasurer; and Dr. John L. Bourne, Jr. of Torrance, assistant secretary-treasurer.

On his election to office, Doctor Peeke said, "Our people of the South Bay area no longer need to go outside our community for doctor and hospital care. We have an adequate number of family doctors and specialists, along with well equipped hospitals, to care for the medical needs of our people."

Dr. Ernest G. Butt, pioneer Redondo Beach physician, who has practiced over 50 years in the South Bay. Doctor Butt was to be presented with a plaque which said, "The Medical Staff of Torrance Memorial Hospital honors its pioneer staff member, Ernest G. Butt, M.D. for his 50 years of medical service."

DOCTOR BUTT was one of the original organizers of the hospital's medical staff and is the oldest practicing physician in the area. In addition to carrying on an active practice, Doctor Butt still plays tennis several times a week.

Outgoing medical staff officers are Dr. Philip M. Halloran of Torrance, chief of staff; Dr. John F. Grube of Manhattan Beach, assistant chief of staff; Doctor Peeke, secretary-treasurer, and Doctor Tabellario, assistant secretary-treasurer.

DOCTOR PEEKE pointed out that as a non-profit community hospital, Torrance Memorial has played an active part in providing hospitalization for residents of the area since 1924. It recently added to its physical plant and facilities in order to accommodate more patients.

Honors at the dinner were

GUESTS OF THE evening included members of the Board of Directors of the hospital and officers of the Women's Auxiliary.

Dr. John F. Nursall was master of ceremonies, and Dr. Rodney A. Stetson installed the new officers. Dancing followed the banquet.

### Adult Class Scheduled on Investments

A 10-week course in Investment Securities will be offered again in the spring semester by the Torrance Adult School. To be held on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 9:30 at the Assembly Room of the old city hall, 1511 Cravens, the course will start Wednesday, Feb. 3.

Endorsed by the Torrance Chamber of Commerce, the class is tuition-free and open to the public.

Gene Olson of Los Angeles, will be the instructor and will cover such subjects as principles of investment, the stock market operation, types of securities, tax and legal factors.

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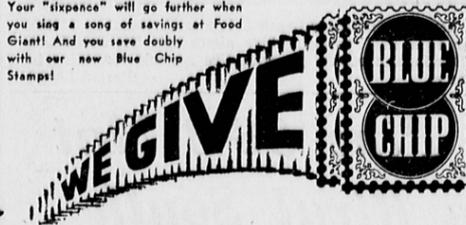
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